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ACTION CLASS JUDGEMENT OF ARS RESEARCH PROJECT

Project Title

National Program

Date

Lead Scientist

Reviewer Identification Number

Panel Chair Initials

Additional Comments or Suggestions

Definitions of Action Classes:

1. No revision required. No revision is required, but minor changes to the project plan may be made.
2. Minor revision required. The project plan is basically feasible as written, but requires some revision to increase quality to a higher level.
3. Moderate revision required. The project plan is basically feasible as written, but requires moderate revision to one or more objectives, perhaps involving changes to the experimental approaches, in order to increase quality to a higher level. The project plan may also need some rewriting for greater clarity.
4. Major revision required. Substantial revision to one or more objectives is necessary, but the project plan should be sound and feasible after significant revision.
5. Not feasible. The project plan has major flaws or deficiencies, and cannot be simply revised to produce a sound project. If the project is not terminated, a complete redesign and rewrite are required.

Please also see the Action Class Matrix, which may be obtained from the Office of Scientific Quality Review.

Overall Project Evaluation

☐ No Revision
Required

☐ Minor Revision
Required

☐ Moderate Revision
Required

☐ Major Revision
Required

☐ Not Feasible

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